

IN THE CLAIMS:

The following is a complete listing of the claims pending in the present application:

1. (Currently amended) A computer system for identifying a part, the system comprising:
a scalable database of identification data sets, each data set descriptive of an item and comprising data for a plurality of alternate numbering scheme schemes geared toward different segments of an industry and stages of product lifecycle, a family category, picture files depicting the item, and identification criteria defined from the family category;
a computer-readable medium;
a processor in communication with the computer-readable medium and the database; and
computer readable instructions on the computer readable medium for execution by the processor, the instructions configured to
present an input screen having a plurality of input boxes to a user display screen,
including input boxes for input of a number scheme and a family wizard,
receive user input from an input device and retrieve at least one data set descriptive of an item from the database based upon input received,
present a criteria screen, upon receiving input from the user device selecting a family wizard, the criteria screen including identification questions that correlate to the identification criteria for the corresponding family, and
present a results screen, the screen including the at least one data set retrieved based upon input received.
2. (Original) A system as defined in claim 1, wherein the data sets descriptive of an item further comprise data selected from a list consisting of ownership, size, sort code, supplier and product line of the item.
3. (Original) A system as defined in claim 1, wherein the data sets descriptive of an item further comprise data for ownership, size, sort code, supplier and product line of the item.
4. (Original) A system as defined in claim 1, wherein the criteria screen further includes a plurality of drop down menus, each menu associated with a corresponding identification question

and listing responses thereto.

5. (Original) A system as defined in claim 4, further comprising a user device including the input device and the user display screen.

6. (Original) A system as defined in claim 1, wherein the instructions are further configured to present an item screen depicting a data set for a single item.

7. (Original) A system as defined in claim 6, wherein the item screen further includes a selectable option for proceeding to a criteria screen for the family to which the item belongs.

8. (Currently amended) A method for identifying a part with a computer system, the computer system having a scalable database of identification data sets, each data set descriptive of an item and comprising data for a plurality of alternate numbering scheme schemes geared toward different segments of an industry and stages of product lifecycle, a family category, picture files depicting the item, and identification criteria, a computer-readable medium, a processor in communication with the computer-readable medium and the database, and computer readable instructions on the computer readable medium for execution by the processor, the method comprising:

presenting an input screen having a plurality of input boxes to a user display screen,
including input boxes for input of a number scheme and a family wizard;
receiving user input from an input device and retrieve at least one data set from the
database based upon input received;

presenting a criteria screen, upon receiving input from the user device selecting a family
wizard, the criteria screen including identification questions that correlate to the
identification criteria for the corresponding family; and

presenting a results screen, the screen including at least one data set and an option to
proceed to the criteria screen for the family corresponding to the displayed data set.

9. (Original) A method as defined in claim 8, wherein the data sets descriptive of an item further comprise data selected from a list consisting of ownership, size, sort code, supplier and

product line of the item.

10. (Original) A method as defined in claim 8, wherein the criteria screen further includes a plurality of drop down menus, each menu associated with a corresponding identification question and listing responses thereto.

11. (Original) A method as defined in claim 8, wherein the data sets descriptive of an item further comprise data for ownership, size, sort code, supplier and product line of the item.

12. (Original) A method as defined in claim 8, wherein the instructions are further configured to present an item screen depicting a single item data set.

13. (Original) A method as defined in claim 11, wherein the item screen further includes a selectable option for proceeding to a criteria screen for the family to which the item belongs.

14. (Canceled)

15. (Original) A method as defined in claim 14, further comprising a user device including the input device and the user display screen.